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Sir:

On January 14, 2004, Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement in the above-captioned matter, in which International Publication Nos. WO 99/35756 and WO 97/49229, were cited. However, the Examiner failed to indicate his consideration of these documents, indicating that copies were not received. Applicant notes that these documents were previously provided to the Examiner in parent application No. 09/572,968, which issued as U.S. Patent 6,694,470 on February 17, 2004. Applicant notes that these documents were indicated to have been considered by the Examiner in the parent case (see front page of U.S. Patent 6,694,470). Thus, Applicant submits that it was not necessary to submit copies of these documents in the present application. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to indicate his consideration of these documents in the present application. Applicant encloses a PTO-1449 Form for this purpose.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner forward a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form to confirm this consideration of the previously cited materials. In this regard, Applicant notes that International Publication No. WO 97/49229 was properly cited in the January 14, 2004 Information Disclosure Statement (see item 57 therein), but was incorrectly listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form. Applicant has corrected this error herein.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted, Stephen PALM

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